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1. The city of Gdansk (Danzig) was damaged very heavily during the war, and until now has been rebuilt very little. According to some statistics which were made immediately after the war as concerns war damages, at least up to 80% of Old Gdansk was burned by the Soviets a few days after the capture of the city. Naturally, to talk about this today can cost up to fifteen years in prison. 25X1
2. Gdansk, with all the less damaged suburbs, has about 185,000 inhabitants today, about 100,000 less than there were before the war.
3. A well-known professor and architect, Rozanski (fmu), together with a group of architects, has worked out a reconstruction plan. This plan, which has already been begun in part, should be completed in 1960, if nothing in the plan is changed. Some details of the plan are as follows:
 - a. The old town is to be rebuilt according to the former pattern.
 - b. The industrial center will be formed along the Vistula River.
 - c. The representation and official quarters will be erected between the old harbor and the Vistula.
 - d. In several sections, workmen's quarters will be built.
 - e. At several places, following the Soviet pattern, there will be parks with towers for parachute jumping for the youths.

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